

Two Towers, June 2013 Edition

From Our Baron

Greetings all,

I hoped the Muses would grant me amazing, flowing words to put here but apparently that's not going to happen. I owe words to many so let's get started:

Cristyana Lambrecht- super steward for Grand Baronial, you took a vision and made it a reality...thank you and your amazing helpers.

Andrius and crew, the prizes met all my hopes. Thank you for that. Also, Andrius, thank you for heralding.

Orin, thank you for the field and keeping the armored list flowing.

I would also like to thank the stepping down champions. All four of you were driving forces in organizing and executing this year's tournaments. I am pleased and amused how involved all of you were and showing what quality champions I was blessed with. This year's champions, Rosalinda (armored), Rixende (rapier), Wentiliana (archery), Henri (equestrian), are all quality people who display traits that spoke to me. I really feel they will fill the shoes of those that came before.

Caitilin gets the stubborn award for staying at the event, wanting to perform the duties of her office...despite having wrecked her leg early Saturday morning.

The taverns...thank you all and I hope it helped your coffers.

Andrius, Wolf, Orin are now part of the Sodality. Leofwyne has a second Crane. And we are now graced by Lady Michelle.

In other news, we have Alden's impending elevation to the Order of the Pelican. Well done.

If I have missed anyone or thing it's due to old age and too many great things to keep track off. It's hot, stay safe, and THANK YOU ALL.

Yours in service,
Robert

Upcoming Events & Meetings

June 2 (5:30-8pm) Scribal Guild second floor of Central Market, 3815 Westheimer. Bring paper, pens, paints, and brushes. If you want to learn, we have supplies available to loan for the evening.

June 3 (7-9pm) Business/Populace Meetings at Hope Episcopal Church, 1613 West 43rd Street. The Business meeting starts at 7 and is open to all, followed by the Populace meeting at 7:45.

June 6 (7-10pm) Chivalric Practice behind Miller Outdoor Theatre, 6000 Hermann Park Drive. Come and practice or, if you don't fight, come and socialize. If you are interesting in fighting, we have equipment available to loan for the evening.

June 9 (6:30pm) Middle Eastern Dance Practice at Grace United Methodist Church, 1245 Heights Blvd. in the Balam studio on the second floor. No experience or specialize clothing is needed.

June 13 (7-10pm) Chivalric Practice behind Miller Outdoor Theatre, 6000 Hermann Park Drive.

June 16 (5:30-8pm) Scribal Guild second floor of Central Market, 3815 Westheimer.

June 20 (7-10pm) Chivalric Practice behind Miller Outdoor Theatre, 6000 Hermann Park Drive.

June 27 (7-10pm) Chivalric Practice behind Miller Outdoor Theatre, 6000 Hermann Park Drive.

June 30 Scribal Guild will **NOT** be held. Attend Known World Scribal in Bjornsborg instead!

July 1 (7-9pm) Business/Populace Meetings at Hope Episcopal Church, 1613 West 43rd Street. **Important:** Their Majesties will poll the populace as to support for Baroness Cristyana Lambrecht to join Baron Robert in leading the barony as the Baron and Baroness of Stargate.

News and Announcements

Greetings to the Populace of Stargate and all good neighbors near and far! We are proud to announce the new Stargate Baronial Champions:

Archery: Theresa Kohler

Arts and Sciences: Brenna MacDonald

Bardic: Marguerite duBois

Chivalric: Rosalinde de Salerno

Equestrian: Henri du Bois

Rapier: Rixende de Rue

Polling Announcement

Greetings to the Stargate Populace and all interested parties:

A polling to consider Baroness Cristyana Lambrecht for Stargate's Baroness will be held on July 1, 2013 at the Stargate Populace meeting. Baroness Cristyana, if selected by Their Royal Majesties Ansteorra, would join Baron Robert MacPharland, current Baron of Stargate, as the Landed Nobility of the Barony of Stargate.

Polling Clarifications: Baronial pollings are not a democratic vote and do not necessarily determine who will be chosen for a position. Rather, pollings provide a way for the Crown to hear and consider the opinions of the populace on the matter of Baronial succession. The Crown considers many factors when choosing new landed nobility, including the results of the polling.

Where to send commentary: The opinion poll form does not include space for written commentary, so any commentary about the baronial candidates should be emailed directly to the Crown at crown at ansteorra DOTorg. Do not send commentary to the Kingdom or Regional Seneschal.

Who can fill out an opinion poll form? Everyone: member and non-member, residents and non-residents. If you are a member, bring your membership card with you to the polling on July 1, 2013.

Results of the polling: The results of the baronial polling will not be made public. This is the norm for opinion polls conducted in Ansteorra. The results of the polling will be known only by the Kingdom Seneschal, the Crown, and the Coronet (if any). Please understand that the poll is a measure of your opinions, not a democratic vote. The Crown alone makes the decision. If anyone has any questions on the polling process, please contact the Kingdom Seneschal.

STARGATE WANTS YOU!!!

For those individuals who wish to serve the Barony, we have the following positions open:

• **Exchequer**

Serves the Barony by handling its financial affairs.

• **Minister of Arts and Sciences**

Serves the Barony by promoting and facilitating the efforts of the Barony in the arts and sciences.

• **Minister of Children**

Serves the Barony by promoting and facilitating the participation of Stargate's children in the life of the Barony.

• **Youth Rapier Marshal**

Serves the Barony by training our young rapier fighters and maintaining the youth rapier loaner equipment.

• **Deputy Herald**

Serves the Barony by assisting the Stargate Herald with running Baronial court, making announcement at events, and submitting names and devices.

Holding an office is a great way to become involved and meet your fellow Stargaters.

Eligible applicants must have enthusiasm and a wish to learn and carry out their new office.

Please send your application to the Stargate Seneschal, Lady Nicollet Deuville at stargate DOT seneschal AT gmail DOT com, the corresponding Regional officer and Baron. You can also contact Lady Nicollet for more information on these positions.

Please submit your application ASAP.



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The Barony of Stargate is a local chapter of the [Society for Creative Anachronism](#) (SCA), within the [Coastal regional](#) subdivision of the [Kingdom of Ansteorra](#). The SCA is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to learning more about the Middle Ages through reenactment. There are SCA chapters worldwide and they hold regular feasts, tournaments, balls and battles.

Ansteorra includes all of Oklahoma and most of Texas (except El Paso). Stargate includes most of greater Houston. Wherever you are, we're a friendly group of people, so why not visit us all?

MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE TWO TOWERS!

The Two Towers is the reference for members of the Barony, but it also serves as a bit of Baronial history. The Chronicler would love to see one and all contribute in some way to the publication. Here are some of the ways in which you can be a part of the Baronial Newsletter.

- **Event Stories**-Let everyone hear your recollection of a great time or special occurrence at a Stargate event by putting it in our newsletter!
- **Photographs**-If you have taken some photos at Stargate events and would like to get them published, please send them along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form for yourself and any identifiable individuals in the photos.
- **Word Fame**-Has someone you know done something worthy of bragging about? Publish it!
- **Articles**-Care to share your expertise, or enlighten others on a subject you feel passionate about? Send your article along for publication along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form found on the Ansteorra website!
- **Art**- Send your finest artwork along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form found on the Ansteorra website. Or let us know if you would like to illustrate articles!

Please send your contributions to the Stargate Chronicler, HL Jessica de Andalucia, at stargate DOT chron AT yahoo DOT com.

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